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REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-15 are pending.

Claims 1 and 11 have been amended based on the specific embodiments of the polyurethane subunits, as shown on page 6 of the specification. It is believed that these amendments do not add new matter.

§ 112 2nd, Paragraph

In the previous office action, Examiner stated that emulsions and hydrodispersions are distinct formulations, and that the explanation offered was not persuasive.

The point that was attempted to illustrate, is that a hydrodispersion, like an emulsion is a multiphase colloidal form. However, hydrodispersions do not contain emulsifiers. What they do contain are components which form a three dimensional network in the water phase, thus maintaining a uniform dispersion of the oil phase that is in the form of droplets. This stabilization of the aqueous phase is what the undersigned referred to as thickening.

It is believed that the rejection should be withdrawn.

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Claims 9 and 10 were amended by deleting the term "derivatives thereof."

It is believed that the rejection should be withdrawn.

Prior Art

Claims 1 and 11 have been amended to narrow the scope of the polyurethanes employed in the claimed compositions. It is believed that these amendments overcome the rejections over Anderle, in view of Stein and the Handbook of Science and Cosmetic Technology.

Neither reference invidually or in combination, teaches or suggest the polyurethanes in the claimed composition.

Accordingly, it is requested that this rejection be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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